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**THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Pirasteh, et al. : Paper No:  
Serial No. 09/223,993 : Group Art Unit: 2645  
Filed: December 31, 1998 : Examiner: Gerald Gauthier  
For: SYSTEM AND APPARATUS FOR IVR PORT SHARING

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for the above-captioned application.

Applicant is a

- ☐ Small Entity  
☒ Large Entity

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136 apply.

*(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)*

- (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than <u>small entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	420.00	210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	650.00	475.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	1,480.00	740.00
		Fee: \$ <u>0</u>

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$\_\_\_\_\_

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for petition for extension of time.

### **FEE FOR CLAIMS**

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate Small Entity		Rate Large Entity	Add'l Fee
Total *	12	Minus **	20	= 0	X 9.00	\$	X 18.00	\$ 0
Indep. *	6	Minus ***	4	= 2	X 43.00	\$	X 86.00	\$ 172
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dependant Claim					X 145.00	\$	+290.00	\$ 0
					<b>Total Add't'l. Fee</b>	\$	<b>Total Add't'l. Fee</b>	\$ 172

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

\*\* If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".

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If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of the prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

(complete (c) or (d) as required)

- (c) ☐ No additional fee for claims is required.

- (d) ☒ Total additional fee for claims required \$ 172.00

### **FEE PAYMENT**

- ☒ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 172.00 covering the total additional fee for claims required.

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- ☐ Please charge Frost Brown Todd LLC Account No. 06-2226 for the total fee due.

A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of fees to Frost Brown Todd LLC Deposit Account No. 06-2226.

Respectfully submitted,

Pirasteh, et al.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated October 22, 2003, which was an advisory action noting that the reply filed 17 September 2003 failed to place the application in condition for allowance. Please consider the following amendments and remarks. It is respectfully submitted that this response should be considered as a timely filed request for continued examination.